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## **Apparent low bidder named for final Borman Interchange Modification project** *Current projects at I-65 and I-80/94 interchange will open to traffic by first week in December*

LAKE COUNTY, Ind. – The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces an apparent low bidder has been named for the final Major Moves Interchange Modification contract at I-65 and I-80/94 (the Frank Borman Expressway). Scheduled for completion in 2011, this project will convert the Borman from six to 10 lanes between State Road 53 (Broadway) and Central Avenue. Walsh Construction of Chicago submitted the apparent low bid of \$97 million.

Scheduled to begin once the weather allows, this third of three Interchange Modification contracts will begin widening work on the eastbound Borman lanes. That will include varying lane and ramp restrictions as work progresses. The second year of construction will focus on the westbound lanes.

The first two contracts currently under construction are upgrading the ramps between I-65 and the Borman, as well as improving I-65 at the interchange. The closure of I-65 between the Borman and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and all the ramp closures associated with these projects will be lifted by the first week of December.

INDOT reminds motorists to follow the posted work zone speed limit, use caution and consider worker safety when traveling through a construction zone. For more information about the Interchange Modification, visit <a href="https://www.in.gov/indot/div/projects/borman/">www.in.gov/indot/div/projects/borman/</a> online.

Gov. Mitch Daniels' Major Moves transportation program capitalizes on Indiana's strategic location at the *Crossroads of America* by building a superior road infrastructure. When Major Moves is complete in 2015, nearly \$12 billion in critical highway projects will have been built. This innovative plan will bring jobs to the Hoosier State and leave a legacy for Indiana to be a global leader in distribution and logistics.

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